

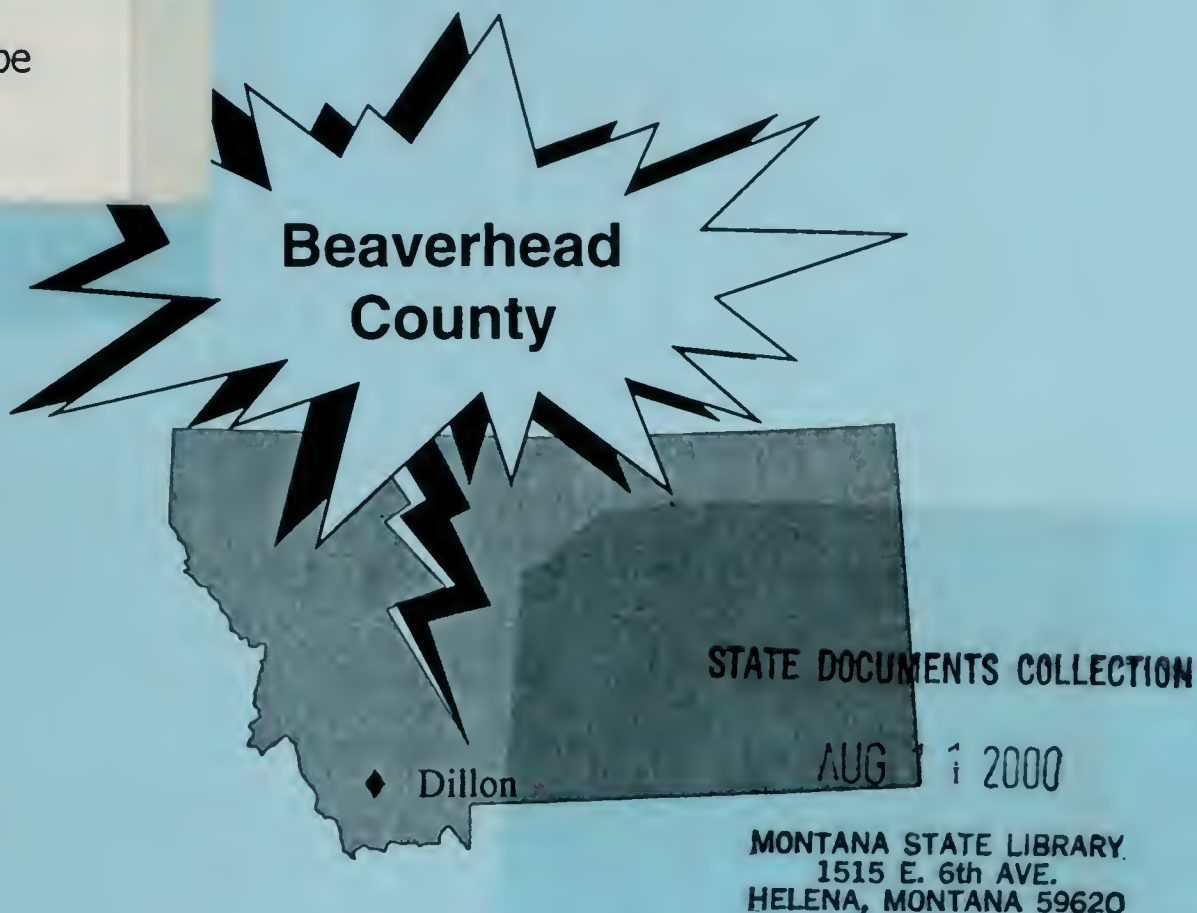
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Cities and Towns in Beaverhead County

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Lima ◆ Monida ◆ Polaris ◆ Wisdom ◆ Wise River

The most current county-by-county information can be found in our quarterly publication *Employment and Labor Force Trends*. And most of our information is on the Internet at <http://rad.dli.state.mt.us/>. In addition, we'll do our best to provide information in accessible format, on request, in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

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Located in southwestern Montana, Beaverhead County is Montana's 23rd most populous with 8,424 residents, according to the 1990 Census.

Dillon, the county seat, is the state's 17th largest city with a population of 4,001. It's also home to Western Montana College of the University of Montana. According to the *Montana Almanac*, by authors Andrea Merrill and Judy Jacobson, the county was established in 1865 and is the largest county in terms of area. The authors say the county name is from the Shoshone, after a rock formation shaped like a beaver's head along the Beaverhead River, 12 miles southwest of Twin Bridges. Bannack, a gold mining town, was the county seat until it was changed to Dillon in 1881. According to the authors, Montana's sheep industry originated in Beaverhead County and the county's also home to the Big Hole River, famous for its blue-ribbon trout fishing.

According to the U.S. Bureau of the Census, median income for Beaverhead County households in 1989 was \$20,925. The county is 5,572.3 square miles in area; 5,542.6 square miles in land area and 29.7 in inland water area.

County residents experience the four distinct seasons. According to the *Montana Almanac*, the average daily low in January between 1980 and 1989 was 10.0 degrees above zero and average January snowfall 4.2 inches. The average daily high in July was 84.0 degrees above. The *Montana Almanac* also shows the annual average precipitation in Dillon in 1995 was 19.16 inches and the length of growing season 106 days.

Beaverhead County Population

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

Area	7/1/98 Estimate	7/1/97 Estimate	4/1/90 Census	% Change '90 to '98	% Change '90 to '97
Montana	880,453	878,730	799,065	10.2%	10.0%
Beaverhead County	8,867	8,980	8,424	5.3%	6.6%
Dillon	4,267	4,316	4,001	6.6%	7.9%
Lima	268	272	265	0.4%	2.6%

1998 New Businesses by Industry

Beaverhead County

SIC Code*	Industry	# of New Businesses
15	General Building Contractors	4
79	Amusement & Recreation Services	4
59	Miscellaneous Retail Trade	3
58	Eating & Drinking Places	3
17	Special Trade Contractors	3
73	Business Services	3
86	Membership Organizations	3
02	Agricultural Production-Livestock & Animal Specialties	2
47	Transportation Services	2
50	Durable Goods-Wholesale Trade	2
16	Heavy Construction other than Building Construction-Contractors	1
24	Lumber & Wood Products, Except Furniture	1
14	Mining & Quarrying of Nonmetallic Minerals, Except Fuels	1
42	Trucking-Warehousing	1
48	Communications	1
55	Auto Dealers-Gasoline Service Stations	1
70	Hotels, Rooming Houses, Camps & Other Lodging Places	1
65	Real Estate	1
56	Apparel & Accessory Stores	1
07	Agricultural Services	1
83	Social Services	1
80	Health Services	1
72	Personal Services	1
88	Private Households	1
	Total	43

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Office of Research & Analysis.

*SIC Code: Standard Industrial Classification Code.

New businesses registered with the Unemployment Insurance Program.

Does not include businesses which had a change in ownership.

Top 10 Private Employers In Beaverhead County

Listed In Alphabetical Order

Barrett Memorial Hospital	Great Harvest Bread Franchising	Safeway
Barretts Minerals Inc.	Parkview Acres Care & Rehabilitation Center	State Bank & Trust
Best Western Paradise inn	R E Miller & Sons	Talbot Insurance Agency
Canyon Ranch		

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Office of Research & Analysis.

First Quarter 1999 Unemployment Insurance information.

This list includes ONLY private industry employers subject to Unemployment Insurance. Railroads and city, county, state and federal government agencies (including public school districts and universities) are excluded.

Annual Average Labor Force For Beaverhead County				
Year	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unem-ployed	Unem-employment Rate
1970	3,367	3,237	130	3.9%
1971	3,376	3,248	128	3.8%
1972	3,529	3,408	121	3.4%
1973	3,618	3,502	116	3.2%
1974	3,986	3,835	151	3.8%
1975	3,995	3,794	201	5.0%
1976	4,148	4,001	147	3.5%
1977	3,919	3,763	156	4.0%
1978	4,144	3,968	176	4.2%
1979	4,109	3,957	152	3.7%
1980	4,148	3,990	158	3.8%
1981	4,568	4,382	186	4.1%
1982	4,878	4,584	294	6.0%
1983	4,508	4,216	292	6.5%
1984	4,398	4,164	234	5.3%
1985	4,444	4,177	267	6.0%
1986	4,648	4,376	272	5.9%
1987	4,700	4,452	248	5.3%
1988	4,758	4,512	246	5.2%
1989	4,496	4,275	221	4.9%
1990	4,291	4,084	207	4.8%
1991	4,398	4,111	287	6.5%
1992	4,506	4,232	274	6.1%
1993	4,653	4,400	253	5.4%
1994	4,762	4,586	176	3.7%
1995	4,915	4,706	209	4.3%
1996	4,965	4,762	203	4.1%
1997	5,051	4,844	207	4.1%
1998	5,197	4,961	236	4.5%

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Office of Research & Analysis (1999 Benchmark).

Summary of Major Occupational Categories By Sex 1990 Census-Equal Employment Opportunity Data Civilian Labor Force-All Persons			
Occupation	Total	Male	Female
Total	3,965	2,280	1,685
Managerial and Professional Specialty Occupations	891	463	428
Executive, Administrative and Managerial Occupations	304	148	156
Professional Specialty Occupations	587	315	272
Technical, Sales and Administrative Support Occupations	911	273	638
Technicians and Related Support Occupations	70	38	32
Sales Occupations	370	152	218
Administrative Support Occupations, Including Clerical	471	83	388
Service Occupations	637	222	415
Private Household Occupations	17	0	17
Protective Service Occupations	47	20	27
Service Occupations, Except Protective and Household	573	202	371
Farming, Forestry, Fishing	664	550	114
Precision Production, Craft and Repair Occupations	422	403	19
Mechanics and Repairers	193	193	0
Construction Trade	140	133	7
Extractive Occupations	27	27	0
Precision Production Occupations	62	50	12
Operators, Fabricators and Laborers	407	357	50
Machine Operators, Assemblers and Inspectors	101	91	10
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	166	174	12
Handlers, Equipment Cleaners, Helpers and Laborers	120	92	28
Unemployed, No Recent Civilian Work Experience	33	12	21

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Equal Employment Opportunity File, (CD-ROM).

Resources

⇒ Chamber of Commerce:

Beaverhead Chamber, P. O. Box 425, Dillon, MT 59725, 406-683-5511

⇒ Department of Labor and Industry

Dillon Job Service

730 N. Montana, Dillon, MT 59725, 406-683-4259

Montana Department of Labor & Industry's Office of Research & Analysis Publications

For information on employment by industry, new businesses, labor market information, profile of the Montana worker, job projections to the year 2006 and hourly pay by occupation, contact the office at any of the numbers listed on the front of this publication or check out our Internet website at <http://rad.dli.state.mt.us/>.

⇒ Internet:

Montana Job Service home page for job listings at <http://jsd.dli.state.mt.us/>.

Cities and towns of Dell, Dillon, Glen, Jackson, Lima, Polaris, Wisdom and Wise River Home Pages—Use the Search Utilities on the Internet to find home pages for Montana cities.

⇒ Housing Costs:

Check the Yellow Pages in the local phone directory for the *Real Estate* listings.

⇒ Montana Motor Vehicle Division:

Drivers' Licensing

Dillon—Courthouse, 2 S. Pacific St., 406-683-5141

⇒ Newspaper:

Dillon Tribune, P. O. Box 911, Dillon, MT 59725-0911, 406-683-2331

⇒ Public Library:

Dillon City Library, 121 S. Idaho St., Dillon, MT 59725-2500, 406-683-4544

⇒ Postsecondary Education Institutions:

Montana University System

Western Montana College of the University of Montana, 710 S. Atlantic St., Dillon, MT 59725, 800-WMC-MONT

⇒ Superintendent of Schools, Kindergarten through 12th Grade:

Beaverhead County High School, 104 N. Pacific St., Dillon, MT 59725, 406-683-2361

Dillon Elementary, 225 E. Reeder, Dillon, MT 59725, 406-683-4311

Grant Elementary, 11700 Highway 324, Dillon, MT 59725, 406-681-3114

Jackson Elementary, P. O. Box 787, Jackson, MT 59736, 406-834-3198

Lima K-12 Schools, P. O. Box AA-186, Lima, MT 59739, 406-276-3571

Polaris Elementary, 19200 Highway 278, Dillon, MT 59725, 406-834-3435

Reiche Elementary, P. O. Box 320097, Glen, MT 59732, 406-683-6322

Wisdom Elementary, P. O. Box 176, Wisdom, MT 59761, 406-689-3147

Wise River Elementary, Wise River, MT 59762, 406-832-3214

PLEASE NOTE: Because of time and budget constraints, we are only able to update our county flyers periodically. Individual tables are updated on a more frequent basis. You can call us if you'd like the most current information for a particular county. The Annual Averages for County Employment By Industry are updated annually, usually in June. The Top Employers are updated annually. Per Capita Income is usually released late spring. Population data for Montana is released in late December and county data in March. The Annual Average Labor Force information is benchmarked annually and numbers available before March. The other tables contain Census information and will be updated every 10 years. You can also look for more current information on our website listed on the front of this publication.

Beaverhead County Employment By Industry* Annual Averages 1998			
Industry	# of Establish-ments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Paid
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	438	3,349	\$68,284,093
PRIVATE BUSINESS	389	2,517	\$48,979,573
AGRI, FORESTRY, FISH	30	260	\$4,221,250
Agri Production/Livestock	23	225	\$3,674,457
Agriculture Services	4	14	\$220,295
MINING	5	121	\$5,980,101
Mining & Quarry Nonmetal	4	121	\$5,980,101
CONSTRUCTION	46	150	\$3,309,387
General Building	20	51	\$908,890
Heavy Construction	4	34	\$1,054,394
Special Trade	21	64	\$1,348,103
MANUFACTURING	18	89	\$1,330,000
Food Products	3	21	\$421,487
Lumber	5	15	\$211,964
TRANS., COMMUN., UTILITIES	20	99	\$2,884,543
Trucking-Warehousing	9	34	\$642,880
Communication	4	18	\$707,181
Elec., Gas, Sanitation	3	38	\$1,419,059
WHOLESALE TRADE	17	127	\$2,133,535
Durable Goods	9	51	\$958,878
Nondurable Goods	11	78	\$1,173,856
RETAIL TRADE	80	874	\$7,894,991
Bldg Materials-Garden	5	47	\$729,768
Food Stores	4	90	\$1,318,289
Auto Dealers-Service Stations	13	118	\$1,885,514
Apparel & Accessories	4	20	\$283,629
Furniture Stores	4	20	\$252,050
Eating & Drinking	37	301	\$1,996,984
Miscellaneous Retail	19	58	\$1,034,695
FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE	32	222	\$7,104,859
Banking	4	72	\$2,077,924
Insurance Agents	7	69	\$1,859,138
Real Estate	16	33	\$1,421,909
SERVICES	131	789	\$12,320,886
Hotels & Lodging	15	142	\$1,088,734
Personal Services	8	14	\$193,259
Business Services	6	12	\$221,981
Auto Repair Services	8	15	\$292,853
Amusement & Recreation	16	66	\$625,197
Health Services	25	319	\$7,285,188
Legal Services	9	21	\$353,947
Social Services	13	81	\$1,212,441
Membership Organizations	8	20	\$103,820
Engineering Services	9	25	\$410,994
Private Households	7	15	\$253,699
GOVERNMENT	47	832	\$21,304,520
State	12	254	\$6,715,414
Local	15	384	\$7,901,408
Federal	20	193	\$6,687,700

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Office of Research & Analysis.

Totals may not add due to nondisclosure of confidential industry data or to rounding.

*Employment Covered by Unemployment Insurance.

Per Capita Personal Income

	1970	1980	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Montana	\$3,558	\$8,842	\$15,038	\$15,947	\$16,541	\$17,571	\$17,590	\$18,286	\$18,872	\$19,660
% of National Average	87%	88%	79%	81%	81%	83%	80%	79%	78%	78%
Beaverhead County	\$3,267	\$7,558	\$14,212	\$15,023	\$15,256	\$16,343	\$16,199	\$17,048	\$17,006	\$18,355
% of National Average	80%	75%	74%	77%	74%	77%	73%	74%	70%	73%

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic Information System. Released May 1999.

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1990 Census of Population and Housing												
Persons by Age, Race and Sex												
Eskimo/Aleut/ Asian or Pacific												
School Age	White		Black		American Indian		Islander		Hispanic Origin		Other Race	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
5-11	971	489	0	0	20	9	4	2	31	17	14	10
12-14	374	176	0	0	8	3	1	1	9	5	5	2
15-17	320	151	1	0	5	1	1	0	4	2	3	1
18-21	617	296	1	1	10	6	4	2	9	4	4	2
Total	2,282	1,112	2	1	43	19	10	5	53	28	26	15
Eskimo/Aleut/ Asian or Pacific												
Working & Voting Age	White		Black		American Indian		Islander		Hispanic Origin		Other Race	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
16+	6,135	3,042	3	1	77	42	20	12	85	35	48	13
16-64	5,053	2,452	3	1	73	39	19	12	83	33	48	13
18+	5,943	2,947	2	1	74	41	19	12	81	33	45	12
18-64	4,861	2,357	2	1	70	38	18	12	79	31	45	12
Eskimo/Aleut/ Asian or Pacific												
Other Age Group	White		Black		American Indian		Islander		Hispanic Origin		Other Race	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
0-4	586	292	5	3	14	9	4	0	8	3	5	2
5-17	1,665	816	1	0	33	13	6	3	44	24	22	13
18-44	3,326	1,625	2	1	54	30	14	9	71	25	41	10
45-64	1,535	732	0	0	16	8	4	3	8	6	4	2
62+	1,261	675	0	0	7	5	3	1	3	2	1	0
65+	1,082	590	0	0	4	3	1	0	2	2	0	0
Total	8,194	4,055	8	4	121	63	29	15	133	60	72	27
Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Equal Employment Opportunity File, (CD-ROM).												

<div>Beaverhead County</div>			
County of Residence	# Who Work In Beaverhead County	County of Work	# Who Live in Beaverhead County
Out of State	19	Out of State	21
Beaverhead County	3,577	Beaverhead County	3,577
Cascade County	19	Deer Lodge County	14
Lewis & Clark County	19	Gallatin County	12
Madison County	68	Jefferson County	16
Ravalli County	10	Missoula County	12
Silver Bow County	32	Silver Bow County	40
Yellowstone County	10	Other Montana Counties	12
Other Montana Counties	39		

Source: 1990 Census Data provided by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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